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SUBJ: PRESIDENT AL-HAMDI ON ARAB/ISREALI QUESTION

1. DURING A MEETING WITH PRESIDENT AL-HAMDI IN TAIZ ON FEBRUARY 13 WHICH COVERED A VARIETY OF SUBJECTS BEING REPORTED BY SEPTELS,AL-HAMDI ALSO EXPRESSED THE THOPE THAT THE US WILL NOW UNDER ITS NEW ADMINISTRATION BEGIN TO MOVE QUICKLY TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO SETTLE THE ARAB/ISRAELI QUESTION. AL-HAMDI NOTED THAT THE ARABS UNDER THEIR MODERATE LEADERS REALLY WISH TO SEE THE PROBLEM SETTLED IN ORDER TO (A) BEGIN THE TASK OF DEVELOPMENT AS WELL AS (B) UNDERCUT THE APPEAL OF THE EXTREMISTS IN THE REGION.

2. AL-HAMDI CONFIRMED THAT HE ALSO THOUGHT IT WOULD BE NECESSARY FOR THE PALESTINIANS AND ESPECIALLY THE PLO TO BE BROUGHT INTO THE NEGOTIATIONS AT SOME STAGE. AL-HAMDI
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NOTED THAT IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY OTHER ORGANIZATION TO SPEAK FOR THE PALESTINIANS, THE PLO IS THE ONLY SPOKESMAN FOR THIS PEOPLE WHICH HAS SUFFERED SO MUCH OVER THE LAST THIRTY YEARS. AL-HAMID COMMENTED THAT THERE ARE MODERATS WITHIN THE PLO AND THESE ARE THE ELEMENTS WHICH THEUS SHOULD SEEK OUT AND SUPPORT. AL-HAMDI CONCLUDED THAT HE WAS SURE THAT GIVEN THE HIGH MORAL STANDARDS AND

RELIGIOUS CONVICTIONS OF PRESIDENT CARTER THE US WILL
NOW TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO BRING JUSTICE
TO THE PALESTINIANS AND THEREBY PEACE AND PROSPERITY
TO THE MIDDLE EAST.
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